

WEBINARWednesday

SEXUAL ASSAULT INVESTIGATIONS

This webinar will include dual presentations. First, the New Life Center will present an overview of its statewide Sexual Assault Investigator Training Program. The training program is designed to improve the investigation of adult sexual assault cases in a victim centered, trauma-informed approach.

A forensic nurse examiner will then present on their specialized training, and how sexual assault exams are conducted. Included in the presentation will be how evidence is collected during the exam, the type of information obtained from the victim, and the questions forensic nurse examiners wish prosecutors would ask them during trial.

Samantha Mendez received her Master of Public Health from University of Arizona and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Arizona State University. She has a background in Trauma Critical Care nursing, medical education, and research in health promotion programs. Her professional passions include caring for victims of sexual violence and interpersonal violence, eliminating health disparities, and vulnerable populations such as sex workers and victims of sex trafficking, refugees, and undocumented immigrants. Samantha currently works as the Forensic Nurse Educator for the Forensic Nursing Department at HonorHealth and has been a forensic nurse examiner with the department since 2016. As a forensic nurse examiner, she has experience working with pediatric, adolescent, and adult patients. She has also presented to healthcare professionals, law enforcement, and other community members on topics such as forensic nursing, caring for patients that have been the victim of violence, and healthcare considerations for sex trafficking victims.

Angela Rose is the Director of Training for New Life Center, a community based agency providing services to victims of domestic and sexual violence.

This webinar may qualify for up to 1.5 hours of Interactive CLE with the State Bar of Arizona

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